



wherein R¹, R², and R³ independently are selected from the group consisting of H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, substituted C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, heterocycloalkyl, C₆-C₁₂ aryl, C₆-C₁₂ substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, alkaryl, and a protecting group, provided that at least one of R¹, R², or R³ is H,

R⁵, R⁷, R⁸, R⁹ and R¹⁰ independently are selected from the group consisting of H, C₁-C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₆-C₁₂ aryl, and substituted C₆-C₁₂ aryl, and R⁸ and R⁹ together or R⁷ and R⁹ together may form a cycloalkyl or substituted cycloalkyl ring,

R⁴ and R⁶ together form a direct bond or are independently selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₆ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₆-C₁₂ aryl, and substituted C₆-C₁₂ aryl, and wherein NR¹⁰ is located at the N-terminus of said peptide, or is located on an amino acid side chain of said peptide,

REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

Claim 24 has been amended. Entry of the foregoing amendments to claim 24 is respectfully requested. Upon entry of this amendment, claims 24 - 43 will be pending in this application.

II. THE OFFICE ACTION

A. Rejections based on 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph-Written Description

Claims 24 - 40 and 42 - 43 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly lacking written description. Applicants respectfully traverse this ground for rejection.